



SENATE RAPS BAKER; URGES 175,000 ARMY

War Secretary Charged With
Defying Congress in Con-
tinued Recruiting.

1,000 NOW ADDED DAILY

Vigorous Effort Will Be Made
to Force Withdrawal
From Europe.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 10.

Strong indications that the Senate will fix the size of the army at 175,000, and possibly at 150,000, developed in the Senate today during debate on the Senator New (Ind.) resolution which provides for suspension of recruiting by Secretary of War Baker and for discharges until the army contains 175,000.

It further developed that a vigorous effort is to be made either this session or next to force withdrawal from Europe of the American forces, approximating about 20,000 men. Secretary Baker was sharply criticized by several Senators for alleged defiance of the wishes of Congress in recruiting the army to more than the number for which pay has been appropriated.

Mr. New asserted that the Secretary had gone not only beyond his authority in recruiting, but that he is still persisting in it, and is carrying on expensive advertising for recruits. "It is very plain," said Mr. New, "that the Secretary of War, as in so many cases, like that of the Muscle Shoals water power project, has no regard for the spirit of Congress or to carrying out the will of Congress. The Secretary has construed the maximum limit of 280,000 as mandatory on him and has proceeded by every means known to enlist as many men as possible."

1,000 Enlistments Daily.

"Last Friday they got 1,500 men. The rate of enlistment now is at least 1,000 a day. A statement of the size of the army last night would show it to be about 237,000 or 238,000 men. The desire of Congress and of our committee is to cut down public expense and at the same time leave the country in the possession of a military force that will meet our reasonable requirements."

Senator New made it plain that it is not the purpose of the Military Affairs Committee to reduce the number of officers, because he believes a skeleton organization should be retained, sufficient to manage a large army should it be needed. He estimates that if enlistments are halted and discharges granted at the rate proposed the army will be reduced to 175,000 by about the first of September next.

Senator Lenroot (Wis.) offered an amendment to the New resolution to-day to fix the army at 150,000. This Mr. New opposed. He called attention to the various troops now stationed abroad and said that in Germany there are numbered nearly 20,000, with 7,000 in Hawaii, 5,000 in Panama, 10,000 in the Philippine Islands, 1,800 in Porto Rico and about 1,400 in China.

"I think that our forces now in Germany ought to be returned," said Senator New in reply to a question from Senator Lenroot, "but I do not believe we ought to reduce our army below 175,000 yet. The reduction I propose would save us between \$25,000,000 and \$40,000,000 a year in the army appropriation."

"Something should be done to reduce the size of the army at once," interposed Senator Jones (Wash.). "We ought not to be obliged to go on until September, paying soldiers that we do not need at the expense of taxpayers already bearing heavy burdens."

Fear Abrupt Action.

Both Senators New and Wadsworth (N. Y.) opposed this idea, saying that to cut the army down abruptly instead of gradually would demoralize the service and cripple its needed effectiveness.

"If we did that we would lose men we wish to retain in the army," said Mr. New. "Our proposal is based on the idea that we will retain valuable, experienced men and non-commissioned officers."

Senator Borah suggested an amendment permitting any man to get out of the army who wanted his discharge, but those in charge of the measure opposed this. "It would smash all discipline," said Senator Wadsworth. "Men would rush for their discharges as soon as they were likely to be disciplined, even for minor offenses, and, of course, under your proposal their discharge would have to be granted."

Senator Borah broadly intimated that

FASTING WIFE DRAWS LINE AT TOBACCO AND MOONSHINE

Cussing Also Taboo, but Husband Cites Uncle Joe
Cannon's Well Known Habit in Combatting Better
Half's Attempt to Reform Him.

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DANVILLE, Ill., Jan. 10.—After forty-

three days of fasting and prayer, Mrs. Sadie Harrington, who is "obeying God's wish" in an effort to win the salvation of her husband, Ernest H. Harrington, to-day lessened the rigid conditions which she had made for her husband to meet and save her life.

She has decided that he need not join a church but forever must quit cigarettes, quit swearing at or with others and keep his lips and larynx free from the blight of moonshine liquor.

"My wife," said Mr. Harrington, in part to-day, "makes me tired. If I drink nose paint it's in the way of making friends and customers and aiding my produce business. She is driving my business to the wolves. What kind of a fast is it where you keep on getting fat?"

"The leading citizen of this town is Uncle Joe Cannon. Ever hear him talk without cussing? No, siree. Ever see him without a cigar in his mouth? No, siree. I have never seen him drink, but on the other hand he ain't never seen me drink. So it's mutual."

"If fasting made people weak in the old days it certainly don't to-day. My wife's lungs were never stronger. She talks all day and has got more to say than a newspaper. I pray but for one

thing with all my heart. And that's that she goes dead silent for at least a week, so I can get a chance to get the produce store going right."

More than a dozen members of the Pentecostal Church of God spent several hours to-day with Mrs. Harrington, but none of them, it was stated by one of the members, tried to persuade her to break her fast.

Harrington to-night declared he believed his wife was determined to fast until she died.

"I believe she has gone so long without food that if she partook of any now it would kill her," he said.

He also stated that he believed she would die suddenly as a result of her heart giving out.

Letters have come since the Harrington story has spread the country round. He has received about forty, of which 90 per cent. advise him to stand pat.

Mrs. Harrington has some 300 letters, of which 70 per cent. approve and egg her on.

State's Attorney John Lewman was asked what action, if any, the State would take in case Mrs. Harrington persists in her hunger strike. He replied that inasmuch as it is difficult to persuade a man to an act he is unwilling to perform, just so much more difficult is "argument with the deadlier of the species."

Those now asking for a smaller army were "insincere" and were doing it for "political effect."

Senator Fletcher (Fla.) upheld maintenance of an army of the present size. "It is a very great mistake to indulge in general notions," he said, "that the army should be reduced to this or that size. World conditions are much unsettled and we should be on our guard."

Speaking in favor of his proposal to reduce the army to 150,000, Senator Lenroot said that under such an amendment more than \$50,000,000 would be saved. "Heavens knows the army is going to cost us enough as it is," he said, "and if we are to have any regard for the taxpayers we should reduce it to as small a size as possible."

Final action on the New resolution went over. It is believed, however, the Senate will favor an army of 175,000, and will reject the proposal to reduce it still further. A vote probably will be had later in the week.

**TO RECALL MRS. NOTT
IN WADE MURDER CASE**

State Also Will Continue Evi-
dence of Alienist.

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BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 10.—The trial of Elwood B. Wade for the murder of George B. Nott in the Nott home last August will be resumed to-morrow in the Criminal Superior Court here.

The first witness will be Dr. John C. Lynch, the State's alienist, who will continue testimony he was giving last Friday when court adjourned. He probably will be followed by Dr. C. C. Godfrey of the Bridgeport Hospital and Dr. D. M. Trearton, district officer of the United States Public Health Service.

The State probably will also recall Mrs. Ethel Robinson Nott and John Edward Johnston, who are charged with complicity in the murder.

SAFE ROBBER SLAIN.

DETROIT, Jan. 10.—One man was killed and two others wounded during a gun fight between two policemen and five suspected safe crackers in an automobile early this morning. The battle lasted twelve minutes, fifty shots being exchanged. The automobile, which was riddled, contained a small safe unopened.

JUSTICE WHITE IMPROVED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The condition of Chief Justice White of the Supreme Court, who has been confined to his home with a severe cold, was said to be much improved to-day. Because of the inclement weather, however, the jurist physician advised him not to attend court.

PLANES REACH SALVADOR.

Navy Fliers Are on Way to the
Panama Canal Zone.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 10.—Four seaplanes of the navy squadron, flying from San Diego to the Canal Zone, reached La Union, Republic of San Salvador, late yesterday, according to a message received by the navy radio here to-day from the supply ship Kanawha, which was stationed near La Union.

The ships landing at La Union were Nos. 8, 10, 12 and 15 of the F-5-L group.

JOSEPH LEITER, JR., KILLED BY ACCIDENT

His Shotgun Discharged While
Returning From Duck
Shooting in Louisiana.

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CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—Joseph Leiter, Jr., 14-year-old son of Joseph Leiter, famous Chicago pit plunger, who lost \$20,000,000 in a futile attempt to corner the world's wheat supply on the Board of Trade in 1898, was killed accidentally this afternoon while gunning for ducks near New Orleans.

The boy was on his way back from a swamp when his shotgun was discharged accidentally. The full charge hit him in the body. His death soon followed.

Joseph Leiter, the elder, was the son of Levi Zeigler Leiter, probably the most noted of Chicago's early merchants. The two men ran the famous "Leiter corner" which forced wheat to an unprecedented price, but then "broke" with disastrous results to the speculators.

Of recent years Joseph Leiter has

made his home in Washington, but has visited Chicago many times. Despite his experience in the wheat pit he still has a vast fortune.

News of the death was received when Mr. Leiter telephoned instruction to New Orleans for arrangements for a special train to convey the body to Washington. The Leiter party arrived at New Orleans Friday and went directly to Chateau Canard, where the elder Mr. Leiter has leased thousands of acres of marsh lands, famous for duck shooting.

In 1908 Mr. Leiter married Miss Juliette Williams of Washington. Mr. Leiter's sisters all married Englishmen of noble families. The oldest, Mary, was the wife of Lord Curzon and died several years ago. Nancy Leiter married Colin Campbell and the youngest sister, Daisy, is the Countess of Suffolk, widowed by the war. The Leiters have two other children, Thomas, aged 8 years, and Nancy, aged 4.

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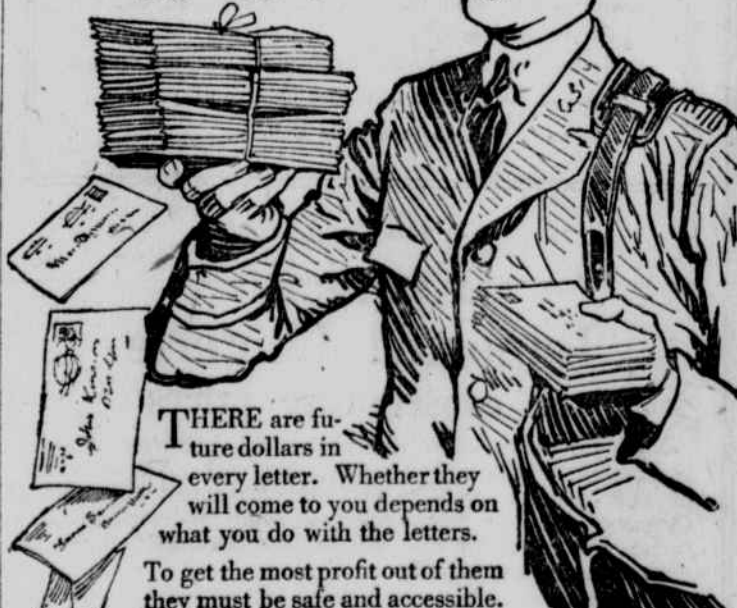
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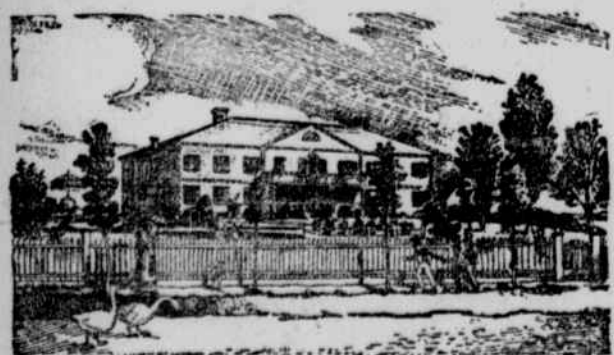
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